WRITTEN ANSWERS TO STARRED QUESTIONS

Integrated forestry development project of Guajrat

*369. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA:

DR. A.K. PATEL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that Government of Gujarat's proposal on 'Integrated Forestry Development Project' is lying with Ministry of Finance and Company Affairs for clearance since long;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) by when the said proposal is likely to be cleared by the Ministry and sent to J.B.I.C?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) This project has already been included in the list of projects for consideration of Government of Japan for ODA loan package for financial year 2003-2004.

Price Stabilisation Fund for crop growers

*370. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

SHRI MOOLCHAND MEENA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Rs. 500 crore Price Stabilisation Fund to benefit 3,42,346 rubber, coffee, tea and tobacco growers has been started;

(b) if so, what is the total number of beneficiaries to be covered under this scheme;

(c) what is the amount so far provided to each of these categories of growers;